

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of May 19, 2024

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to “break the ice” and get people talking)

- What is one thing (food, movie, activity, etc.) you thought you wouldn't like but ended up really enjoying after you tried it?
- What is your favorite Bible verse? Why?
- Read John 7:24. How does this command seem to be contradictory? How would you explain what Jesus is saying here in your own words?
- How do you know when you are “judging righteously” and when you are “judging according to appearance?” Can you give an example of each?
- Read John 7:19. They were sinning against their own moral code and then judging Jesus. What are some ways that you have seen others practice this kind of moral relativism? (Hint: read Matthew 7:1-3)
- We talked about the importance of gathering all the facts before making judgments (Proverbs 18:13). Why do you think people often jump to conclusions without fully understanding a situation?
- Have you ever had a paradigm shift similar to the story shared in the sermon about the man on the subway? How did it change your perspective on judging others?
- Moving forward, how can we strive to be less judgmental and more compassionate, like Jesus? What practical steps can we take in our daily lives to cultivate a spirit of understanding and empathy?
- Take some time to pray together.

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